

Home Services Program

**Brain Injury and
HIV/AIDS Programs**

The HIV/AIDS and Brain Injury Programs are designed to prevent unnecessary nursing home placement.

The individual must be safe in their home, and services must be cost-effective.



The Brain Injury Program also provides habilitative services to help customers relearn how to independently complete ADLs.

Case Management

- Responsible for day-to-day case activities
- Set up services according to service plan
- Monthly customer contacts/calls
- Identify/set up new providers
- Address changes in living situation
- Complete/document monthly contacts

Case Management (continued)

- Only approved case management agencies may be used when available.
- Case managers must successfully complete program training in order to be certified.
- HIV/AIDS (and some Brain Injury) case managers conduct initial assessments and redeterminations of eligibility

Case Manager Qualifications: Brain Injury Program

- Registered Nurse
- Licensed Social Worker
- Unlicensed Social Worker w/ Bachelor
- Vocational Specialist with a CRC
- Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor
- Licensed Professional Counselor
- Certified Case Manager

Required Experience

- 2-3 years experience in working with persons with brain injuries and brain injury service organizations
- 1-2 years case management experience working with persons with disabilities.

Case Manager Qualifications: HIV/AIDS Program

- Registered Nurse with Bachelor's degree in nursing, social work, social sciences or counseling, or four years of case management experience
- Licensed Social Worker with a Bachelor's degree in social work, social sciences, or counseling;
- Bachelor's of Social Work or Master's of Social Work from an accredited school preferred.
- Bachelor's degree in a human services field with a minimum of five years of case management experience.

AIDS case managers

- Broad knowledge of community resources and networking, case management, and home care

Experience working with:

- Addictive and dysfunctional family systems;
- Racial and ethnic minorities;
- Homosexuals and bisexuals;
- Persons with AIDS; and
- Substance abusers (e.g., drug users).

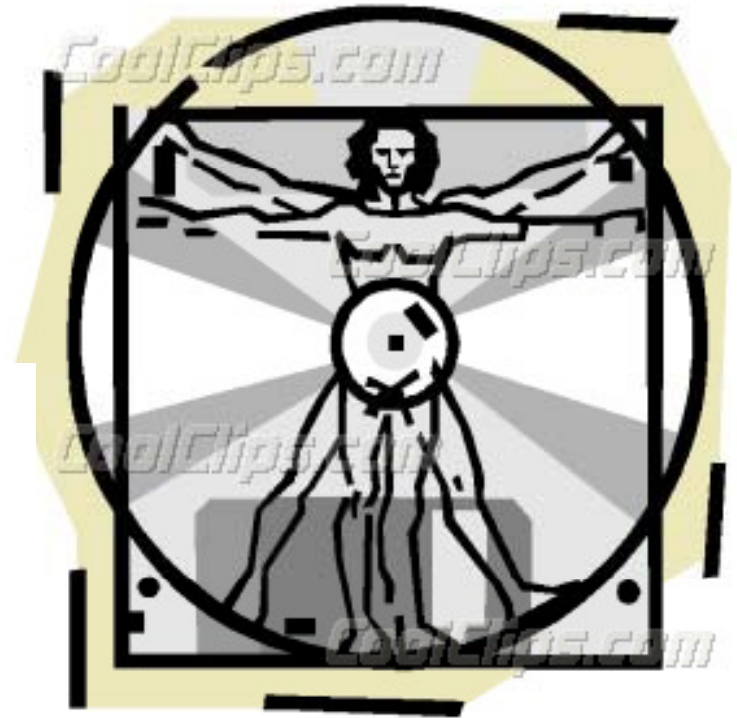


Brain Injury Program Eligibility

Medical diagnosis of
acquired brain injury

And....

**Brain injury
impairments that
result in DON-point
eligibility**



Eligible Diagnoses: Brain Injury

- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- Brain Infection (Encephalitis)
- Lack of Oxygen (Anoxia/Hypoxia)
- Stroke (Cerebral Vascular Accident)
- Brain Bleeds (Aneurysm)
- Electric Shock (Electro-encephalopathy)
- Brain Tumor (Malignancy; Benign if severe)
- Poisoning (Toxic Encephalopathy)



Ineligible Diagnoses



- Congenital Disabilities Affecting the Brain (Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy, Mental Retardation, Learning Disorders.)
- Degenerative/Neurological disorders due to aging (Dementia, Senility, Parkinson's Disorder, Alzheimer's Disease, etc.)

HIV/AIDS Program Eligibility

Diagnosis of:

- Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS); or
- Infection of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)



Also...

If Customers have other conditions that restrict function, those must be considered during assessment and service planning...



**There is no age limit...
Persons of any age may be
served by either program - if
otherwise eligible.**

Also Applicants Must:

- **have a disability that is expected to last 12 months or longer**
- **be at imminent risk of institutionalization (DON score of 29 or more...)**
- **apply for Medicaid unless already on Medicaid or spend-down**
- **need services that cost the same or less than institutional costs (SCM)**
- **have less than \$17,500 in non-exempt assets for customers 18 or older**
- **have less than \$35,000 family assets if under 18 years**

General HSP Services

(available in both programs)

- **Personal Assistant**
- **Homemaker**
- **Maintenance Home Health**
- **Adult Day Care**
- **Electronic Home Response**
- **Home Delivered Meals**
- **Environmental Modification**
- **Equipment**
- **OT, PT, Speech Tx**

Personal Assistant

- Unskilled services
- Individual employed by customer
- Assist with basic activities of daily living (housekeeping, meal preparation, personal care etc.)
- Customer supervises



Homemaker

- Services of general support for basic activities of daily living provided by trained and professionally supervised homemakers.
- Homemakers maintain, strengthen, and safeguard the functioning of a customer in the home when no responsible or capable person is available to monitor this service.
- Homemaker agency supervises



Homemaker

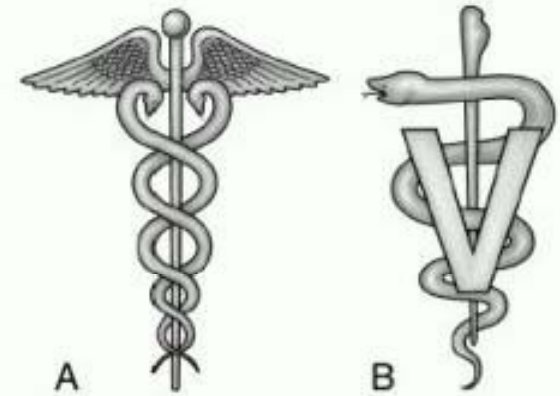
- Teaching household management and staff care are also included.
- Monitoring of PA services.
- **Only providers with approved Homemaker Rate Agreement may be authorized to provide these services.**

Maintenance Home Health

- **Clinical** services provided in the home according to a treatment plan prescribed by a physician or other health care professional.
- Only provided when **not** covered by Medicaid or other health insurance.
- Providers must have current license or certificate (Departments of Public Health or Financial & Professional Regulation).
- Must have copy of license or certificate in case file.

Maintenance Home Health

- Certified Nurse Aides
- Licensed Practical Nurses
- Registered Nurses
- Occupational Therapists
- Physical Therapists
- Speech Therapists



Adult Day Care



- Services of direct care and monitoring of customers in a community based setting for any portion of a 24 hour day.
- ADC's promote social, physical, and emotional well being and offer an alternative to institutional care.
- Only agencies with approved Rate Agreements may be authorized to provide this service.

Home Delivered Meals



- Delivery of prepared food to customer's residence during the lunch hour.
- This consists of a heated luncheon meal and a smaller dinner meal which can be refrigerated and eaten later.

Electronic Home Response



- Agencies that provide 24 hour-per-day emergency communication links to assistance outside the customer's home.
- This is for individuals who have no support in the home should an emergency arise.
- Only companies with a rate agreement may provide this service.

Respite

- Services aimed at relieving stress to customer's family/primary care provider.
- Services are limited to 240 hours per calendar year.
- Only Personal Assistant, Homemaker, and Maintenance Home Health, or a combination of these three services may be authorized.



Assistive Equipment

- Assistive equipment must have a useful life of at least one year.
- This service is used for increasing independence in completion of ADLs
- Should result in decreased health risk, or reduced need for assistance from another individual.
- Funded only when other funding sources are exhausted (Medicare, insurance, etc.)



Environmental Modification



- Modifications in the home that help compensate for loss of ability, strength, mobility or sensation;
- Modification should eliminate or decrease need for assistance, prevent an anticipated increase in service costs, or will improve the safety of the customer and/or caregiver

Brain Injury-Specific Services

- **Neuropsychological Assessment**
- **Habilitation**
- **Pre-vocational**
- **Supported Employment**
- **Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy**

Neuropsychological Assessment

Assessment of psychological function and behavior with relation to changes in the brain



Why Neuropsych Assessment?

- Offers a more complete picture as to psychological effects on behavior and overall functioning
- Provides a baseline to determine improvement
- May address need for cognitive or behavioral interventions
- Not required for all cases

Habilitation



- Services provided to assist with the acquisition, retention, or improvement in self-help, socialization and adaptive skills.
- Habilitation services are not provided in the home, but in a facility located in the community.

When to provide Habilitation

- There should be a recommendation, either from a neuropsych, psychologist, MD
- Currently, only providers meeting the DD definition of developmental training programs may provide (Admin Rule 119)
- Can be used as a means to prevent recidivism or reduction in function

Pre-Vocational



- Services designed to help individual prepare for eligibility for DHS vocational services, but are not job training or employment oriented.
- Services include teaching compliance, attendance, task completion, problem solving and safety.
- Pre-vocational services are not provided in the home, but in a facility located in the community.

When to provide Pre-voc

- Customer should express an interest in going (back) to work
- There should be VR potential, which will be enhanced if customer attends pre-voc.
- Should be monitored. If customer will not transition to VR, may want to consider shifting to 'habilitation' services if customer still needs

Supported Employment



- Services that consist of paid employment for persons for whom competitive employment is unlikely.
- Because of their disabilities, some individuals need intensive ongoing support to perform in a work setting.
- Must have successfully participated and been closed from DHS-DRS vocational rehabilitation program.

Behavioral Services



- Therapies designed to decrease severe maladaptive behaviors.
- These services are intended to enable the customer to better manage his or her behavior and cognitive functioning, and to increase independence.
- Includes: Psychotherapy; Family Counseling; Cognitive Retraining; Behavior Modification.